

Table A-3. Respondent counts for the National Education Longitudinal Study: 1988, 1990, and 1992

Classification variable and subgroup	Base Year, 1988	First Follow-up, 1990	Second Follow-up, 1992
Total respondents (unweighted)	24,599	20,706	21,188
Sex			
Male	12,241	10,462	10,713
Female	12,358	10,244	10,475
Race/ethnicity			
White, non-Hispanic	16,317	13,837	14,024
Black, non-Hispanic	3,009	2,218	2,260
Hispanic	3,171	2,751	2,922
Asian or Pacific Islander	1,527	1,302	1,406
American Indian or Alaska Native	299	259	266
Other or unclassified	276	399	310
Socioeconomic status composite (SES) ¹			
Low	5,934	4,556	4,395
Low-middle	5,788	4,472	4,501
High-middle	5,836	4,378	4,516
High	7,030	5,262	5,437
Unclassified	11	2,038	2,339
High school program (self-reported)			
Academic	†	6,420	7,567
General	†	7,990	6,125
Vocational	†	1,806	1,911
Unclassified	†	4,490	5,585
High school type			
Public	†	16,813	15,145
Catholic	†	1,012	934
Other private	†	1,602	1,530
Not enrolled	†	1,043	2,725
Missing	†	236	854
Postsecondary education plans			
No plans	2,685	2,483	2,646
Attend vocational/technical school	2,102	2,323	2,072
Attend college less than 4 years	3,078	3,074	2,457
Earn bachelor's degree	10,251	5,874	5,631
Earn advanced degree	6,268	5,269	5,580
Missing	215	1,683	2,802
School academic clubs and extracurricular activities			
Never participated	21,516	15,292	17,117
Participated as a member	2,798	5,144	3,355
Participated as a leader	285	270	716

† Not applicable.

¹The SES index is a composite of five equally weighted measures: father's education, mother's education, family income, father's occupation, and mother's occupation.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, The National Longitudinal Study of 1988 (NELS:88), "Base Year, Student Survey, 1988," "First Follow-up, Student Survey, 1990," and "Second Follow-up, Student Survey, 1992."